

2014 CHAPTER 24 FIRE + FLOOD THE FLOOD

Review Summary



93 pts “Limpid ruby. Potent, spice-accented red and blue fruit scents pick up notes of candied flowers and minerals with aeration. Juicy, supple and expansive on the palate, offering pliant black raspberry and boysenberry flavors, along with hints of star anise and cola. Shows a suave blend of richness and vibrancy and finishes impressively long and sappy; rounded tannins lend gentle grip. This plush, very sexy wine strongly reminded me of a top-drawer wine from Vosne-Romanée.”

Josh Reynolds
Vinous
December 2016

92 pts “Crisp and tangy, with a burr of tannins around a sharp core of ripe cherry and blackberry flavors, hinting at wet earth as the finish lingers.”

Harvey Steiman
Wine Spectator
February 2017

90 pts “The 2014 Fire+Flood The Flood Pinot Noir comes from sedimentary soils, vines on low elevation. It sees 40% new French oak for 12 months. It has a rounded, winsome bouquet with dark cherries, boysenberry and blueberry fruit that is neatly subsumed into the oak. The palate is medium-bodied with a more structured and ‘grippy’ opening than I was anticipating, yet there is also lip-smacking salinity and a detailed mineral-driven finish. Drink this over the next decade.”

Neal Martin
Robert Parker’s The Wine Advocate
June 2016